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SUBJ: CONOFF'S VISIT TO LAURENCE LAYTON
1. CONOFF VISITED USC LAURENCE "LARRY" LAYTON IN GEORGETOWN PRISON AUGUST 13, 1980, AND DELIVERED PERSONAL LETTERS SENT C/O EMBASSY. IN RESPONSE TO CONFOF'S QUESTION, LAYTON STATED THAT HE CONTINUES TO RECEIVE MAIL REGULARLY, BUT COMPLAINED THAT SOME LETTERS HAD BEEN LOST IN THE POSTAL SYSTEM.. HE SPECIFICALLY DISMISSED ANY ALLEGATION THAT PRISON AUTHORITIES WERE OBSTRUCTING HIS MAIL DELIVERIES.

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2. LAYTON ASKED CONOFF ABOUT STATUS OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST HIM IN GUYANA. U.S. CONOFF DECLINED COMMENT, STATING SIMPLY THAT EMBASSY WAS STILL PRESSING GOG FOR EXPEDITOUS HANDLING OF THE CASE.
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